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PETITION TO REVIVE UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

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Applicants hereby petition for the revival of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) on the grounds that the abandonment was unintentional. The Applicants did not receive the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. §371, dated September 26, 2005 and were unaware of the Notice until notified by the Examiner on October 20, 2006, after the period for reply had expired.

According to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b), a grantable petition must include (1) the reply required to the outstanding notice, (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m), and (3) a

statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition was unintentional.

The Applicants set forth that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) was unintentional. Applicants took no action that would indicate a desire to abandon the application. Furthermore, upon discovering the abandonment, Applicants expeditiously filed this Petition along with a Response to the Notice as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)(1).

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration of this petition and the revival of the application. The petition fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)(2) and as set forth in §1.17(m) accompanies this Petition. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 13-3080.

The undersigned is available for telephone consultation during normal business hours.

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